(c) if so, by when a decision to empower MRTPC to prosecute parties violating its orders would be given?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) to (c) There has been an increase in the number of violations of the MRTP Commissions orders. At present, the Commission can launch prosecution proceedings for violation of its orders by filing a complaint in the Court of Sessions. The Commission has recently asked the Government to declare it as a Court of Record by a suitable amendment in the MRTP Act. The Government is seriously considering giving powers of contempt to the MRTPC.

Supreme Court Judgement on the petition of All India Judges Association

453. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have studied the judegment of the Supreme Court given recently on the petition of the All India Judges Association; and

(b) if so, what is the response of Government to the directions contained in this judgement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) A copy of the judgement is being awaited for which an application has been made to the Supreme Court. This will be studied on receipt of the same. It may also be mentioned that, apart from the Central Government the State Governments are also parties who may be required to take action.

Clearance to Tehri Dam Project

@454. SHRI PARMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV:
KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have given final clearance to the Tehri Dam Project; if so, when was the clearance given;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government are reconsidering the entire project after the recent earthquake in and around Uttar Kashi; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) The Government had, in November, 1986, decided to implement the Tehri Hydro Power Project Complex (2400 MW), which includes Tehri Dam Project, as a joint venture of the Government of India and the Government of Uttar Pradesh, and to seek Soviet technical and financial assistance for the same. There has been no change in this regard.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Toning up of functioning of power Generation Projects in the country

455. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of POWER

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